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SUBJECT PEOPLE'S DAILY ARTICLE COMMEMORATES CHIANG CHING
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1. LIKE RED FLAG, THE PEOPLE'S DAILY JULY 12 CARRIES AN ARTICLE
COMMEMORATING THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF CHIANG CHING'S GUIDING
SPEECH ON OPERA REFORM (REFTEL).THE PEOPLE'S DAILY ARTICLE IS
BY CHIANG TIEN, ANOTHER PROMINENT BY-LINE IN CULTURAL COMMENTARY
SINCE THE CURRENT POLITICAL MOVEMENT BEGAN. THE ARTICLE STARTS
OUT BY NOTING THAT "TEN YEARS AGO, COMRADE CHIANG CHING IN HER
IMPORTANT SPEECH..POINTED OUT: " IT NECESSARY TO CREATE
REVOLUTIONARY HEROIC IMAGES OF THE MODERN TIMES ON OUR THEATRICAL
STAGE. THIS IS A TASK OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE."

2. THE ARTICLE IS DEVOTED TO THIS THEME OF THE HERO, DWELLING
IN PARTICULAR ON "AZALEA MOUNTAIN," THE OPERA IN WHICH A CHIANG
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CHING-LIKE HEROINE REFORMS THROUGH CRITICISM AN IDEOLOGICALLY

INFERIOR REVOLUTIONARY WHO COULD BE CHOU EN-LAI. " AZALEA MOUNTAIN" CONTINUES TO BE A FEATURE IN CULTURAL COMMENTARY GENERALLY, AND THE JUNE ISSUE OF THE SHANGHAI JOURNAL STUDY AND CRITICISM CARRIES A TYPICAL ARTICLE PRAISING THE OPERA FOR THE LESSONS ITS HEROINE TEACHES. SPEAKING OF THE HEROINE'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE ERRANT REVOLUTIONARY , THE SHANGHAI ARTICLE OBSERVES THAT IT IS "NEITHER UNPRINCIPLED COMPROMISE NOR SIMPLY KICKING HIM AWAY; IT IS TO CARRY OUT EDUCATION FOR HIM ON IDEOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL LINE(KKTLY AND METICULOUSLY."

3. NCNA ENGLISH-LANGUAGE FILE JULY 16 CARRIED EXCERPTS OF THE RED FLAG COMMEMORATION BY CHU LAN, BUT EDITED OUT THE SPIRITED PASSAGES ATTACKING CRITICS OF CHIANG CHING'S OPERAS.
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